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Via Facsimile and First-Class Mail

Jose M. Rodriguez, Esq.
Office of General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Re: MUR 4250

Dear Mr. Rodriguez:

This letter respectfully requests an extension of time for the Republican National Committee ("RNC") to respond to the Office of General Counsel's May 15, 1997, notice of additional information and amended complaint in the above-captioned matter under review. The RNC received a copy of the additional information and amended complaint on May 16, 1997.

I understand that your office has advised that the RNC may incorporate by reference its earlier response in this matter. However, the amended complaint makes several new allegations and relies on a number of recently published news articles. Due to the complicated factual nature of this matter, and the necessity to gather a large quantity of factual information from numerous sources, the RNC respectfully requests an extension of time through June 20, 1997, to submit a response. This will allow the RNC to prepare a thorough and comprehensive response that will assist the Commission in considering this matter.

Separately, please address all future correspondence in this matter to my attention. I will submit a designation of counsel form as soon as I receive it.

